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1. A modular pack system comprising:

a belt for placement around a user, the belt having two ends and a length between the two ends, the belt further having a plurality of upper connector portions along its length, wherein at least one upper connector is near each end of the belt for being positioned above the user's outer thigh;

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a plurality of bags each having at least one lower connector portion releaseably connected to said upper connector portions to form a pivotally connection of the bags to the belt, and each of said plurality having a leg strap for extending around the user's leg above the knee, so that one of said plurality of bags is pivotally hung against each of the user's outer thighs to pivot relative to the belt with leg movement.

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2. The modular pack system of Claim 1, wherein said pivotal connection comprises a flexible strap flexing to allow said bags to pivot in a plane parallel to the belt.

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3. The modular pack system of Claim 1, wherein said pivotal connection comprises a generally rigid connector having a pivot axis.

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4. The modular pack system of Claim 3, wherein the pivot axis is perpendicular to the plane of the belt.

5. The modular pack system of Claim 1, wherein said pivotal connection comprises a generally rigid connector extending down below the belt and rotatably connected to the belt so that the connector is adapted to flip up to lie parallel to and near the belt.

6. The modular pack system of Claim 1, comprising two sets of two pivotal connectors, wherein the two pivotal connectors are spaced apart and at least one of the pivotal connectors is angled in toward the other.

7. The modular pack system of Claim 6, wherein the belt has a center between its two ends, and wherein said one pivotal connectors is angled in toward the other is nearer to the center than to the ends.

8. The modular pack system of Claim 1, wherein the belt has a center between its two ends, and the pack system further comprises a slide-on bag comprising a loop on its back surface adapted to slide onto the belt from one of said ends.

9. The modular pack system of Claim 8, wherein said plurality of bags comprised left and right thigh bags, and said slide-on bag slides to the center of the belt.

10. The modular pack system of Claim 8, wherein said plurality of bags comprised left and right thigh bags, and the pack system further comprises a plurality of side bags, each with a loop on its back surface adapted to slide onto the belt to a position above one of said left and right thigh bags.

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11. The modular pack system of Claim 1, wherein the belt has a center between its ends and said center is enlarged relative to the ends.

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12. The modular pack system of Claim 1, wherein the belt comprises a sleeve adapted to slide onto a user's belt.

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13. The modular pack system of Claim 1, wherein the belt comprises fasteners at its ends for being fastened around the user.

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14. A modular pack system comprising:

a belt for placement around a user, the belt having two ends and a length between the two ends, the belt further having a plurality of upper connector portions along its length, wherein at least one upper connector is near each end of the belt for being positioned above the user's outer thigh;

a plurality of quick-release thigh bags each having at least one lower connector portion releaseably connected to said upper connector portions to form a quick-release connection of the thigh bags to the belt, and each of said plurality of thigh bags having a leg strap for extending around the user's leg above the knee, so that one of said plurality of thigh bags is pivotally hung against each of the user's outer thighs.

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15. A modular pack system, wherein the quick-release connection comprises snap-together and snap-apart portions.

16. A modular pack system, wherein the quick-release connection comprises a pivotal axis so that each thigh bag pivots relative to the belt to follow the user's leg movement.

17. A modular pack system, wherein the quick-release connection comprises a flexible member that flexes with leg movement, so that each thigh bag pivots relative to the belt to follow the user's leg movement.

18. A modular pack system, wherein the quick-release connection for each thigh bag comprises a pair of said upper connector portions spaced along the length of the belt, and wherein at least one of said upper connector portions is angled toward the other.

19. A modular pack system, wherein the quick-release connection for each thigh bag comprises a pair of said upper connector portions spaced along the length of the belt, and wherein a first of said pair of upper connector portions extends perpendicularly down from the belt and the second of said pair of upper connector portions extends down non-parallel to the first of said pair.